

# THE CONFESSION

OF

## Capt. George Baker,

At the Place of

## EXECUTION,

In Justification of Mr. *Staines*, Druggist.

**I** Do here give it under my hand, and do own that I did endeavour to Rob Esquire *Man* as he went to *Newmarket* upon the Heath, the last *Michaelmas* day was twelve Month, and the Gentleman that he did accuse is not guilty, I think his Name is *Staines*; I do this generously upon my own accord, without any deserts, but to clear the Gentleman that is not guilty, as help me God in the Words of a Dying Man.

March 3. 1684.

Geo. Baker.

Memorandum, That I Samuel Smith, Ordinary of *Newgate*, being in company with Samuel *Staines*, Citizen and Druggist of *London*, at the Execution of Captain *George Baker*, on the Fourth of this instant *March* 1684. at *Tyburn*: The said Captain *Baker* being acquainted that Mr. *Staines* was then and there present, was desired to do him right in this particular: That whereas Mr. *Jeremiah Man* (as Mr. *Staines* affirms) did bring an Indictment against the said Samuel *Staines* for Assaulting him on *Newmarket-Heath* on *Michaelmas* day last past was a Twelve-Month, with an intent to Rob him:

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Captain *Baker* aforesaid, did at the said place of Execution declare openly to all the People there present, that he the said *Baker* was the very Person who did attaque *Jeremiah Man*, which did so much trouble his Conscience, that he could not die in peace, without the declaring the Truth in that particular.

And also begged Mr. *Staines* pardon for all the trouble was given him for that Fact, and desired him to pray for him. In witness whereof I set my Hand, the day and year above-written.

Samuel Smith, Ordinary  
of Newgate.

This is a True Copy of what Mr. Ordinary gave to  
Mr. *Staines*,

Witness *John Meriton*.  
*Thomas Harwicke*.

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